Minutes of the Allamakee County Conservation Board

The Allamakee County Conservation met in regular session at 1:00 P.M. Tuesday December 4th, 2018 in the Board Office located at 1944 Columbus Rd. Lansing, Iowa. Board members present were as follows: Jeanie Carroll, Marilyn Clark, Jesse Delaney, Dennis Koenig and Bill Moody. Also attending were Conservation Board staff members Erin Cubbon, Ross Geerdes, James Janett, and Jarrod Olson.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. and the minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved upon a motion by Koenig, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried.

Claims, revenues, and the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget summaries were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Board member mileage from June through December 2018 was submitted.

The Iowa DNR Private Lands Management Agreement was discussed by the Board. The Director informed the Board the agreement was identical to the standard management agreement and needed to have editing done to obtain the intent of the agreement. The Fish Habitat Grant wasn't submitted in the current grant cycle, the grant will be submitted in the next grant cycle after the finial management agreement is approved.

The Board discussed the Director serving on the Mississippi River Parkway Commission. Currently other Conservation Directors serve on the Parkway Commission. The Commission meets quarterly at different river Counties along the Mississippi River in Iowa. A motion was made by Koenig for the Director to be considered for appointment to the Parkway Commission, second Delaney, all in favor, motion carried.

Field operations, programs and event summaries were presented to the Board. Field operations items included winterization of all areas, dock being removed, and equipment maintenance. Events and programs included County Social Services district meeting, hosting the Birding Fest, and the release viewing of Decoding Mysteries of the Driftless.

The Director informed the Board that funding for the handicapped loading area for Village Creek Boat Landing had been reinstated. The upcoming appointment for the Conservation Board was discussed by the Board; Board Member Bill Moody is willing to be reappointed and has submitted his name for consideration to the Board of Supervisors.

Informational items included recent foundation donations, improvements to Nobles Island Landing for hover crafts, budget preparation, and the time and date of the next Board meeting.

There being no additional business, a motion was made by Koenig to adjourn, second Clark, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 P.M.